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C O N F I D E N T I A L ALEXANDRIA 0610

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, EG
SUBJECT: MORE TAKFIR ARRESTS

REF: ALEXANDRIA 0579

1. DPO HAS BEEN INFORMED BY RESPONSIBLE EGYPTIAN THAT ARRESTS
IN ALEXANDRIA OF TAKFIR WA HIGRA MEMBERS NOW TOTAL 52, WITH
FIFTEEN ARRESTED JULY 12. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, HE LEARNED FIGURES
WHILE AT GOVERNORATE TWO DAYS AGO. NEWSMAN SOURCE LATER CONFIRMED
SAME APPROXIMATE FIGURE -- ABOUT FIFTY -- AND SAID TOTAL ARRESTS
IN ALEXANDRIA WOULD EVENTUALLY ADD UP TO "AROUND SEVENTY."
ORIGINAL SOURCE, WHO IS ACTIVE LAY LEADER IN COPTIC CHURCH AND
USUALLY NEAR "CRACKERS" ON SUBJECT OF IKHWAN AND OTHER THREATS FROM
ISLAM, WAS NOT TERRIBLY UPSET. IN FACT HE WAS -- WHILE LAMENTING
SOMEWHAT DEATH OF FORMER -- QUITE PLEASED INCIDENT HAD HAPPENED
NOW AND HAD CAUSED TAKFIR MOVEMENT TO BE NIPPED IN BUD - BEFORE IT
BECAME ANY LARGER. HE DID WARN HOWEVER, THAT WHILE GOE WOULD DEAL
WITH THOSE INVOLVED QUITE STRONGLY, PRESSURE WOULD COME FROM OUTSIDE
ARAB STATES - READ SAUDI ARABIA - IN NEAR FUTURE TO BE MORE
UNDERSTANDING WITH GROUP.
BOTH SOURCES DENIED GROUP HAD ANY STRENGTH AT UNIVERSITY OF
ALEXANDRIA ALTHOUGH SAME ARRESTEES WERE FORMER STUDENTS. THESE
AND OTHER SOURCES CONTINUE TO INSIST THAT BULK OF TAKFIR ADHERENTS
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ARE RELATIVELY UNEDUCATED LOWER CLASS WORKERS. MOST STRIKING
POINT WAS AGAIN THAT BOTH WHO ARE COPS, WHILE DEPLORING SPECIFIC
INCIDENT, REFLECTED GENERAL LACK OF ALARM. THIS IS CONSISTANT
WITH SOUNDINGS FROM OTHER ALEXANDRIANS.
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